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SUBJECT: LICENSING US LAUNCHER TECHNOLOGY

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- 1. ECONMIN INFORMED MINISTER HESELTINE ON JULY 6 THAT DEFINITIVE ANSWERS TO HIS QUESTIONS REGARDING LAUNCHER LICENSING WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE IN NEAR FUTURE. HESELTINE EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT BUT OTHERWISE TOOK NEWS WITH SURPRISING GOOD GRACE.
- 2. WE LATER PASSED SAME MESSAGE TO JOHN STEELE, DTI UNDERSECRETARY FOR SPACE. STEELE PUZZLED AS TO WHY US "NON-RESPONSE" WAS SO LONG FORTHCOMING. HE OBSERVED THAT LACK OF ANSWERS ON CONDITIONS FOR LAUNCHER LICENSING WOULD MAKE UK POSITION MORE DIFFICULT IN JULY 12 ESC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MEETING AND PREDICTED THAT MEETING WOULD BE A REAL

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